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City of Cleveland Provides General Updates on Coronavirus & Safety Protocols - **Update #108**

CLEVELAND – The City of Cleveland continues to take numerous precautions across multiple departments and divisions amid increasing cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). Below are some important updates. Mayor Frank G. Jackson signed an order on May 26, extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through June 30, 2020. [Click here to view the order.](#)

Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational.

Cleveland Police Officers Terminated Following Internal Investigation

The City of Cleveland announces that four Cleveland Police officers have been terminated from employment following an internal investigation which began after it was discovered that the officers were consuming alcohol within a liquor establishment while on duty and in uniform.

They were most recently assigned to Basic Patrol in the Fourth District. The officers include:

- John Jarrell, age 42, hired October 1, 2012
- Anthony Miranda, age 34, hired November 25, 2013
- Kevin Kiesner, age 28, hired February 5, 2018
- Matthew Dates, age 27, hired November 26, 2018

Once information regarding this matter was discovered, all four officers were placed on restricted duty. An internal investigation was conducted by the Cleveland Division of Police, Internal Affairs Unit. [Click here to view their termination letters.](#)

Findings of the investigation were forward to the Chief of Police for review and then submitted to the Office of the Director of Public Safety for final discipline. All four officers were terminated effective June 18, 2020. Any additional information will be posted via GOV QA.

Other Important Reminders

Mayor Jackson Announces Restart CLE

Mayor Frank G. Jackson has unveiled his strategic plan for the recovery of Cleveland's economy amid the coronavirus pandemic. As the city began this recovery planning process, it engaged experts from Cleveland State University and local medical institutions and made a deliberate choice to build from a health and medical perspective in order to protect those at risk from the coronavirus and then incorporate economic and social support to help the people and businesses who need assistance.

[View Mayor Jackson's full plan here.](#)

[View Mayor Jackson's Facebook Live announcement here.](#)

Modified Bulk Pick-Up Schedule

Bulk pick-up has been rescheduled for the weeks of **June 22, June 29, July 6 and July 13.**

Residents should follow [regular bulk pick-up guidelines](#). We appreciate residents' patience as we adjust our plans to keep our workers safe through the coronavirus pandemic.

As a reminder, residents are permitted to up to three bulk items on tree lawns. More info on guidelines for proper disposal:

- Residents may leave out for collection items such as appliances, tables, chairs, mattresses, box springs, couches and furniture.
- All mattresses, box springs and cloth furniture must be wrapped in plastic.
- In addition to the three items, residents may leave out up to four tires.
- The city does not accept construction material.
- Boxes and bags are not bulk items.

Save the Date for Mayor Jackson's Next Tele Town Hall

Mayor Jackson invites you to join him for his next tele town hall on June 25, 2020 at 5:45 p.m. The Mayor will provide remarks about COVID-19, racial disparity, public safety and more. He will also take participant questions during this 1.5 hour call. Visit www.clevelandohio.gov/TeleTownHall to register to participate and ask questions. This will also be livestreamed to [the City Facebook page](#).

City of Cleveland Now Accepting Applications for Recovery Response Fund

On Thursday, June 11, Mayor Jackson announced a grant program available for businesses impacted by the civil unrest of May 30, 2020. The City of Cleveland has been engaged with Cuyahoga County, the Greater Cleveland Partnership, Downtown Cleveland Alliance (DCA) and the Cleveland Foundation to provide assistance to re-opening businesses and developed a one-stop application. Impacted businesses looking for financial assistance should apply through DCA at the following link: <https://form.jotform.com/201656956665064>. Impacted businesses throughout the City are encouraged to apply.

Update on Temporary Outdoor Dining for Restaurants

In order to better serve restaurants and their patrons during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Cleveland has established guidelines and regulations for permitted businesses to use private parking lots, streets and on-street parking areas as outdoor restaurant spaces as part of Mayor Frank G. Jackson's ReStart CLE plan. This legislation provides restaurants with additional dining space that allows them to safely operate.

Businesses will need to acquire permits for outdoor dining. Permits issued for a Temporary Expansion Area may be revoked at any time for failure to comply with the provisions of this ordinance, the codified ordinances and applicable rules and regulations of the City of Cleveland or laws of the state of Ohio, including Ohio Department of Health orders. Businesses must adhere to the following regulations:

- **Permit Fee Duration:** A Temporary Expansion Area permit, is valid through November 1, 2020, unless earlier terminated or revoked. No fee will be required for a TEA permit application.

- **Patio Elements:** An application for a Temporary Expansion Area permit shall include detailed plans drawn to scale showing the number and location of patio elements, including standard tables, chairs, and umbrella. Additional elements such as tents, generators, and other structures may require additional approvals. All elements must remain within the approved site plan area of operation.
- **Spacing Requirements:** All patio furnishing must be organized to allow for appropriate social distancing between tables in compliance with Ohio Department of Health orders.
- **Protective Barrier Structure for patio area expansion:** All expanded patio enclosure areas must contain the appropriate protection between the patio area and vehicular traffic. This will require a much stronger barrier than a typical patio enclosure. The structure must be removable at the end of business hours (if necessary) or after any designated period approved as part of the application. In the case of a full street closure, or where, in the determination of the City, additional buffers are needed, the City may provide the necessary protective barrier structure at no cost.
- **Maintenance:** Permittees shall maintain the TEA in accordance with all City, County, and State laws, regulations, and orders. Permittee shall be responsible for keeping the TEA clean and safe.

To learn more about the permit application process, outdoor dining and public space typologies and outdoor dining guidelines and regulations, [click here](#).

City Excise Tax Payment Extension

The City of Cleveland is extending payment deadlines for the following excise tax returns to alleviate administrative burden for businesses that are facing operational impacts from the coronavirus public health emergency:

- Admissions tax due April 30, May 30 and June 30
- Motor Vehicle Lessor (rental car) tax due April 30, May 31 and June 30
- Parking tax due April 20, May 20 and June 20
- Transient Occupancy (hotel or lodging) tax due April 30, May 31 and June 30

The Commissioner of the Division of Assessments and Licenses is authorized to extend excise tax (admissions, parking, motor vehicle lessor and transient occupancy) payment deadlines to July 20 in response to the coronavirus pandemic. Federal, state and local governments use various strategies to propose due date relief to businesses through tax guidance and legislation. This proposal extends the April, May and June excise tax payment due dates to July 20 without incurring interest and penalties. The goal is to provide cash flow flexibility to taxpayers that cannot timely pay their excise tax obligation and provide guidance to individual taxpayer(s) through administrative rulings to address issues resulting from the national pandemic on a case by case request including statutory timing deadlines of administrative processes.

County, State & Federal Updates and Reminders

- [View the governor's daily updates here](#)
 - The governor has extended the Stay at Home Order
 - **The governor launched Responsible Restart Ohio** which gives Ohioans a roadmap to reopening the state starting May 1. [View information about responsible protocols, operating requirements, sector closures and more.](#)
 - [View supportive documents and orders released from the governor's office](#)
- **Census:** The 2020 Census is happening now. Visit www.2020census.gov

- **Scams:** [IRS issues warning about Coronavirus-related scams; watch out for schemes tied to economic impact payments](#)

Federal, State and Local Tax Deadline Extension Reminder

The Ohio House voted to extend the state's income tax return deadline to July 15. This is the same date for local and federal taxes. [View the bill summary with additional provisions here.](#)

CodeRED

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails from the administration with important info regarding Coronavirus. To sign up online, visit <https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED>, get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at 216-664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

Previous COVID-19 Updates from the City of Cleveland

[Click here to view previous updates.](#)

For more information about COVID-19, visit the following:

- www.cdc.gov/coronavirus
- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>
- <http://www.clevelandhealth.org/>

About the City of Cleveland

The City of Cleveland is committed to improving the quality of life for its residents by strengthening neighborhoods, delivering superior services, embracing diversity and making Cleveland a desirable, safe city in which to live, work, play, and do business. For more information on the City of Cleveland, visit online at www.clevelandohio.gov, Twitter at @cityofcleveland or Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofcleveland.